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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 565, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to embryonic stem cell research.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 565, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new  
2 section, to be known as section 565.307, to read as follows:

**565.307. 1. As used in this section, the following words and  
2 phrases shall mean:**

3 (1) "Embryonic stem cells", nonspecialized cells that have the  
4 capacity to divide in culture and to differentiate into more mature cells  
5 of specialized functions;

6 (2) "Public employee", any person employed by the state of  
7 Missouri or any agency or political subdivision thereof;

8 (3) "Public facilities", any public institution, public facility,  
9 public equipment, or any physical asset owned, leased, or controlled by  
10 the state of Missouri or any agency or political subdivision thereof;

11 (4) "Public funds", any funds received or controlled by the state  
12 of Missouri or any agency or political subdivision thereof, including,  
13 but not limited to, funds derived from federal, state, or local taxes, gifts  
14 or grants from any source, public or private, federal grants or  
15 payments, or intergovernmental transfers;

16 (5) "Somatic cell nuclear transfer" or "SCNT", transferring the  
17 nucleus of a human somatic cell into an egg cell from which the nucleus  
18 has been removed and rendered inert.

19 2. Research utilizing embryonic or adult stem cells shall be  
20 permitted in this state. Such research may include the process of  
21 somatic cell nuclear transfer, as defined in subsection 1 of this section,

22 and may be conducted by public employees using public funds and  
23 public facilities or by private entities.

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